

CHAPTER NO. 937

HOUSE BILL NO. 2739

By Representatives Kernell, Brooks (Shelby), Cooper

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2518

By Senator Harpers, Finney

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 62, Chapter 2, relative to the board of examiners for architects and engineers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-226(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (8) in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-231(a), is amended by adding a new subdivision thereto, as follows:

() Board of examiners for architects and engineers, created by § 62-2-201;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-2-109, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) An architect or engineer who voluntarily, without compensation or expectation of compensation, provides structural or building systems inspection services at the scene of a declared national, state, or local natural or man-made emergency at the request of a public safety officer or city or county building inspector acting in an official capacity shall not be liable in negligence for any personal injury or property damage caused by the architect's or engineer's good faith, but negligent, inspection of a structure used for human habitation or a structure owned by a public entity, for structural integrity or nonstructural elements affecting life and safety. The immunity provided by this section shall apply only for an inspection that occurs within ninety (90) days of the declared national, state, or local natural or man-made emergency.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 25, 2006


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 20th day of June 2006


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR